



## HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.

A town and growing city of 5,000 inhabitants, situated in a county of 10,000. The Louisville and Nashville has two lines of railroad in the county and the people have recently voted aid to two new roads. Largest tobacco growing county in the world. Wheat, corn, hay, coal, live stock, and timber are raised for export. Large quantities of the crop are taken bank with an aggregate capital of \$100,000. A stamping mill and wagon factory, three carriage factories, blue factory, tobacco manufacturer, two breweries, three brickyards, brown factory, steam laundry, tea factory, two large flouring mills, and many others are scattered over the city. Elementary schools, two colleges, a high school, and the finest system of public schools, white and colored, in the State. Western Kentucky Lunatic Asylum with a population of 500, two miles south of the city. A \$100,000.00 water works system is in the process of completion and a company of State Guards. Little River furnishes an adequate supply of water for all purposes. Real estate low and rents cheap. Fine opening for wooden mills, paper, printing establishment, fruit canning, tanyard and many other enterprises. Capital and navigable and exceedingly beautiful.

The Jacksonville quarantine has been raised.

Vice President-elect Morton and wife have gone to Indianapolis to make the Harrisons a visit.

T. P. Stanley, a Tepeka book-keeper, has gone to Canada, accompanied by \$1,500 of his employer's money.

A Boyle county greyhound caught and killed ten rabbits in one day, and thereby enabled its owner to win a wager.

G. A. McMains, the well-known actor with McElroy's company, was found dead in bed at Big Rapids, Mich., Tuesday morning.

Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth, who is now 77 years old, has just announced that her forty-fourth novel is nearly ready for the press.

The popular vote of the United States at the late election, as tabulated by the New York Tribune, is as follows: Cleveland, 5,331,631; Harrison, 5,239,000; F. B. 245,704; Slocum, 11,192. Cleveland's plural, 175,025.

George Dilroe, of the Newport State Journal, is responsible for the following: "The report that Mrs. Folsom, Frankle's mother, is about to be married is contradicted by that lady. She doesn't seem to want a second term."

The strike on the Burlington road, which created so much excitement last spring and summer, has been declared off by the Chicago switchmen. The engineers still hold out, but their places have long since been filled with non-union men.

Work is now actually in progress on eight lines of new railroads in Kentucky and two or three other companies are getting ready to begin in the spring. The most gratifying thing in connection with these railroad projects is that our county will get a double share of the new extensions.

The yellow fever epidemic at Jacksonville, after raging for three months or more, is pronounced at an end. The total number of cases was 1,741, the deaths 412. This high percentage of mortality shows that the salutary scourge is much better understood nowadays than it was during the dreadful visitation of 1857.

The Clarksville Progress is hereby warned that all infringements upon our dog poetry patent will be prosecuted to the extent of the law. Several verses of what might under a strained construction of the law be called poetry have already appeared and we merely throw out this hint to warn Bro. Gaines before any real poetry is published.

Mr. J. T. Harrihan, general manager of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, has resolved to accept a similar position with the Lake Shore railroad. Mr. Harrihan is one of the best known and most competent railroad officials in the west. He has worked his way up from a conductor's place and has filled his present position for the last four years.

Nevada is one of the Western States that is making little or no progress. Though it has been in the Union for almost a generation, it now has only 12,278 voters, although the state is two or three times as large as Kentucky. One half of the State is an alkali desert and the other half consists of barren hills and mountains, with a melting town here and there among them.

The death list at Birmingham has reached ten and several other names are yet likely to be added to it. The total number of wounded was not far from forty. There has been no further attack on the jail, and quiet is about restored. The sheriff who ordered the posse to fire into the crowd is under arrest on a charge of murder and public sentiment is strongly against him. Hawes is still in jail and the crime has been so firmly fixed upon him that it is believed that he will confess the murder of his wife and two children. The young woman whom he married two days after his first wife was killed is now with her parents at Columbus, Miss., greatly prostrated by the way she was deceived. The only of one of the missing children

## THE CITY ELECTION.

Justice to myself requires me to make this statement. The Charter of the city of Hopkinsville, Sec. 10 article 7 provides, "The poll books of all elections in the city shall be examined and several Sheriffs of elections to the Clerk of the city who shall keep them on file as a part of the records of his office, and issue certificates to the officers elected."

In county elections the General Statutes of Kentucky makes the County Judge, Clerk and Sheriff an examining or comparing board, and the Clerk of the county shall be the several Sheriffs of elections to "compare the polls, ascertain the correctness of the summing up of the votes and give certificates of election to those receiving the highest number of votes."

They are required to compare the polls and ascertain the correctness of the summing up of the votes. They are only individual officers (not judicial) and can only do what the statuted plain terms direct them to do.

As City Clerk I am only a ministerial officer and can only legally do what is in the charter plain terms tell me to do. If a law is uncertain and liable to be construed two ways a ministerial officer should be very careful how he acts under it.

The part of the charter already quoted does not direct the City Clerk to compare the poll book or sum up the votes, but I do the general statutory directions.

My opinion is, the charter does not provide for any comparing or canvassing board, but simply directs the City Clerk to certify whether the officers elected are those chosen by the City Council to be elected and then leaves the whole to the City Council to correct errors.

It only says the City Clerk shall file the book and issue certificates to the officers elected, therefore there is no authority to be found for the City Clerk to compare the poll book or sum up any of the votes or correct any kind of mistakes the officers of the election may have made, and whether the officers of city election or county election or both the City Clerk must certify and let the mistakes and errors go before the City Councilmen do by the charter Sec. A. 7 are made the "judges of the qualifications, election and return of its members" and thereby make a comparing board before whom all questions come up by whom they are to be settled.

During this all this time my office door was not locked and any person who desired could have come in, and since then various other gentlemen have looked at the book in my presence. At about 1 o'clock Monday I was called to look over it. In my presence, because it is a public document and I have no right to refuse citizens on all proper occasions to see and examine it, but none of them have or will be permitted to make a pen or pencil mark in it.

Within an hour or two after one o'clock Monday the report was spread among the citizens that a record was going on by another person, that the book was being tampered with and changed and a great fraud perpetrated, and as I have been reliably informed, I was all that afternoon and pretty much ever since, by a great many persons abused, cursed and vilified almost without limit, but not in my hearing, and one of the newspapers of the city has published a great deal of talk about me with regard to the book, and saying things to the effect of public corruption and intimating that I was a treacherous and needed to be watched. In addition to all that, all manner of false reports have been going the rounds of the city as to what I have said from time to time in reference to giving certificates of election.

Many persons have asked me many questions as to what I was going to do and I told them I was going to give certificates of election, whether or not I was going to correct mistakes of officers of election in addition to the votes.

Now I state that the only answer I have ever given to any human being as to what I would do or not has been that I intended to give the matter a great and honest investigation and study all the law I could find on the point and without favor to any one or either side of the question. The law requires me to do, and any one who has or may say that I have or did or intended anything untrue than that's a mistake and stating what is not true, I have also stated all the time that I would decide and issue a certificate as soon as I could examine the law and satisfy myself as to my duty.

Monday Tuesday and part of Wednesday was so engrossed in other matters I had little time to give to it. I may have stated to some persons that certain corrections would likely be made by the Council when it meets but nothing except what I have stated as to what I would or would not do as City Clerk.

Not satisfied with all the cursing and thumping that had been heaped upon me Tuesday night a neighbor of mine, who is a public officer, I resolved and treated them with great courtesy and respectability, and at that meeting they passed a resolution condemning of me that I issue certificates of election to those announced on Saturday night.

I have already shown that I made no official announcement.

Warranted.

I have given this question as close and thorough investigation as the time allowed would admit, and the result of that investigation is that I do not believe under the laws the City Clerk has any legal power or authority to compare the poll book or errors made by the officers of the election.

From what I have learned, it is evident that the general laws of those states do not as in Kentucky, authorize a canvassing board to examine the poll book to correct errors.

In addition to the City Clerk and the Clerk of the election, there is a ministerial officer like a City Clerk, who should presume to assume authority.

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Having given the foregoing reasons for my action, I now desire to come to some matters personal to myself. After the polls were closed Saturday night because of the excited condition of the City Room, the officers of the election reported to my office where they wanted to be disturbed, to count up the votes and sign their certificates.

The law did not require them to be alone and because I had to wait until they finished so they could deliver the poll book to me I remained but not as an official and the Sheriff and Clerk of the election added up the various signatures and the Clerk signed it; as they were leaving a certain person was standing outside at my office window eager to hear the result and as a courtesy to them I raised the window and read to them what the officers had figured up.

I made no official proclamation and was not then acting in any official capacity but as any private citizen would have done real to them what the officers had figured out.

When the officers had finished their work they delivered the book to me as the charter directs and I closed it immediately and placed it away in a safe place where no one would have access to it and it remained there and was not again opened by myself or any one else or in the possession or handled by any one until I o'clock P.M. Monday.

On Sunday morning a gentleman who was a member of the same party and friend and supporter of the old board came to me and asked permission to open and look at the book in my presence. Once I told him it was a public record and he like every one else had a right to see and look at it under proper circumstances, but I did not think it was right for me to permit him to do so and so it that day and that the officers had figured up.

I have made my decision the decision now goes to another tribunal. I have had no unpleasant decisions to make about it. Therefore I think it is time for every one to cool down as to me, but I will say that if hereafter any person or persons undertake to make false and slanderous statements about me, I shall hold them personally responsible if I can trace the author. I also wish to state that all the persons

could not do so, but that he could see it the next day.

Monday morning I told the gentleman that at 1 o'clock that day and after that he would be present and wishing to do so could look at the book in my presence and I then looked up and found two representatives of the new board and supporters of the new board and told them at 1 o'clock I would open the poll book and permit any and all persons to examine it. I told them that I was not encouraged or sanctioned any of the abuse that has been heaped upon me.

In conclusion I wish to say that all

the time I have been a city official I have considered it highly improper for any city official and especially in my position to take any part in selecting or trying or working to elect any

one to any office.

When I opened it that is, at least two on each side should be present and I can only say that no one could have any chance to nominate or change it.

One of those gentlemen said he did

not have time to come or did not de-

serve to come or words to that effect.

The other said he would come and bring some one with him but in

the end he did not come.

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We may have courage all of us  
To face a cannon's ball,  
To go where dangers dare not tread,  
To meet the world at duty's call;  
But when a small misfortune comes,  
When half-intended it is right,  
To be few right steps up to the line  
And do the thing that's right?

#### PERSONAL Gossip.

E. M. Flack went to Louisville Tuesday.  
M. M. Hamby has moved to the city to live.  
W. H. Martin, of Crofton, spent yesterday in the city.  
H. W. Robinson, Clarksville, was in the city Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. Prestridge and Mr. Jas. Breathitt visited Tuesday for a visit to Eastern Kentucky.

At the Phoenix yesterday: J. L. Kirk, Indianapolis; F. B. Vaughn, Louisville; L. Kaufman, Cincinnati.

Miss Mollie Smithson returned from Virginia last week. She is the last of the Old Folks to return.

Clarksville Chronicle: Miss Bellie Menden, of Maysville, Ky., is visiting Misses Bertha and Eva Rosenthal.

Mr. H. M. Smith, Vice President of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, visited Pembroke and took a few days absence.

#### CREAM OF THE NEWS.

Missionary Circles No. 7 and B.

The following program has been arranged for the Baptist Circle Meeting on the morning of the 29th Inst., which will be held at the Baptist church this city:

Introductory Remarks, Organizational, Reports from Churches.

The Object and Hope of the Circle Work—Statement, by Rev. J. N. Prestridge, with words of welcome.

DEB MISSIONS.

FORGIVEN—McBryne, by Dr. H. F. Eager; Italian by H. L. Waller; Africau, by R. M. Anderson; Chilren, by J. W. Dower.

HOME—Cahan, by Luther H. Paterree, and C. M. Meacham; Southern States and Territories, by T. C. Hamby and J. W. Boyd.

ASSOCIATIONAL—Rev. J. U. Spurhill and Joel Henson, Sunday Schools; S. W. Forgy and Prof. J. O. Ferrell.

How to deal with Duties, Judge Poteet.

Money raising for Religious Purposes, Walter Garnett and Deacon W. L. Trice.

Orphan's Home and Ministers' Aid Society, Revs. A. C. Dorris and J. F. Dagg.

Sunday School mass meeting at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Robbery At Trenton.

A burglar entered the residence of Mr. J. Ross Dickenson, of Trenton, one night last week and stole \$100 from him and took about \$70 from the pockets of his son napkins. The door was locked, the thief having had a key or entered through a window.

On the next night the house was again entered. A hunting case worth that cost \$350 was taken from a bureau drawer at the head of the bed. The upstairs rooms were also again entered. The clothing in Mrs. Dickenson's room was taken from the wardrobe and piled in the door. Jno. Dickenson's clothing was thrown out of the window of his room and a pistol belt fired into the headboard of his bed. He awoke and saw a man jumping out of a window and fired five times at this retreating form without effect. The burglar is supposed to be some one living in the neighborhood, though there is no clear lead to the discovery of the guilty party.

Certificates issued.

The city clerk yesterday issued certificates of election to Councilmen-elect Hill, Forbes, Dabney, Campbell, Gilliland and Brown. Mr. O. S. Brown, the last named, is ineligible under the charter, as he is both deputy sheriff and school trustee. In the event he is not allowed to qualify the board will elect his successor.

MARRIED.

Mr. Samuel B. McGee and Miss Eliza Clardy were married at the residence of the bride's mother, near Hennettstown, on the 6th inst., Rev. J. G. Joiner officiating. The young couple will make their home near Roaring Spring, Trigg county.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of a Hopkinsville young man as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stough request your presence at the marriage of their daughter

JENNIE

to  
CAMILLE E. TRICE,  
Monday Evening, Dec. 24th, 1888,  
6:30 P. M. at Footh Street Methodist Church,  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Within the last week the following persons have been granted license to wed:

L. S. Mason to Emma Swiney.  
L. D. Brown to Alice Shepherd.  
C. W. Vaughn to Virginia S. Long, COLORADO.

Marcellus Ladd to Sallie Baker.  
Lucy Southall to Mary Peaches.

Being More Pleasant  
To the Taste, more acceptable to the stomach, and more truly beneficial in its action, the famous California Gold fruit remedy, Syrup of Fig. It is rapidly superseding all others. Try it. One bottle will prove its merits, for sale in 50 cents and \$1.00 bottles.

#### THIS AND THAT.

Novelties of the season at Gaither's.  
Ross A. Rogers' livery stable, Fritz's old stand.

There is a swarm of candidates for city offices.

Xmas Goods at Gaither's, all new and latest styles.

The Milk Maid will go to Madisonville to-night.

New bulletin board have been put up at the court house.

The First Presbyterian Church is receiving a new coat of paint.

The names of the streets on the lamps are nearly all washed off.

The lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church is to be lighted by gas.

Quite a number of new dwellings are under contract for erection in different parts of the city.

The meetings at the Christian Church are growing in interest and are largely attended.

The court house, since securing two new coats of paint, looks better than it did when built.

A memorial service will be held at the Old Fellow's hall to-night. Address by Rev. Venable.

All persons should read our tree post column. Bring in your wants. It will cost you nothing.

The Christian County Medical Society will meet at the office of Drs. Drayke and Dull Monday.

Mr. S. C. Mercer has been elected Secretary of the Commercial Club, vice H. M. Caldwell, resigned.

Born to the wife of Mr. G. B. Coombs, on the 10th inst., a boy. He has been named Asa Lester.

The Ohio Valley men have had several days of fine weather recently to push ahead with their surveying and prospecting.

Mrs. Clarence Anderson's horse became unmanageable Wednesday and came near backing the carriage into the grocery of Chas. McKey & Co.

The Clarksville Chronicle of Tuesday contained a very correct likeness of Mr. T. R. H. Hancock, formerly of this city, together with a sketch of his life.

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TO PRESERVE THE SOFTNESS OF FLANNEL GARMENTS, FOLLOW CAREFULLY THESE DIRECTIONS FOR WASHING.

Dissolve thoroughly in boiling water some IVORY SOAP, shaved fine. Add sufficient warm water to wash the flannels in one by one.

Don't rub any soap on the flannels, but knead them well in the solution.

Don't rinse them in plain water, use a fresh supply of the solution, warm, and well blued, for the purpose.

Don't wring tightly with the hands, use a clothes-wringer. The freer from water you get these garments the softer they will be.

Hang them out immediately, if the weather will permit; if not, dry before the fire. If left to stand wet, the flannel will certainly shrink.

Never wash flannel in water too hot to bear your hand in.

Never rinse them in cold water.

Always use IVORY SOAP, it is the best, much experience has proved this.

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